

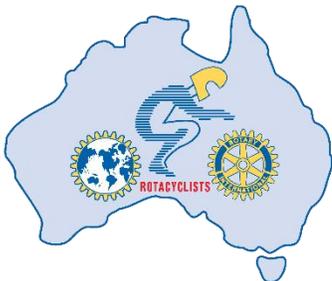


OCTOBER 2020

IFMR AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL RIDE AIR2020

Come to Australia and ride the Great Dividing Range Mountains! Visit Sydney, NSW and the Gold Coast, Queensland.

We invite you to join us!



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AIR2020

**You cannot miss
this!!**

October 2020

**Sydney to the
Gold Coast &
return**

Riding criss-cross

**Across the
Mountains**

**IFMR AUSTRALIAN
CHAPTER**

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'Whats App' Group is called

[AIR2020 Preparations!](#)

17 October to 31 Oct 2020
approximately!

See each Day and the Route
(– as at 18 June 2018)

On a map in a Video '2020 Draft 4'.
<https://youtu.be/wOe2vNQoa4o>
Note; all destinations are preliminary;



Dates (preliminary)	Route (preliminary)
<u>Saturday 17th Oct 2020</u>	Day 1 Sydney to Scone 281k
<u>Sunday 18th Oct</u>	Day 2 Scone to Port Macquarie 296k
<u>Monday 19th Oct</u>	Day 3 Port Macquarie to Armidale 247k
<u>Tuesday 20th Oct</u>	Day 4 Armidale to Ballina 330k
Wednesday 21st	Day 5 Ballina to Gold Coast and return to Ballina 250k 
<u>Thursday 22nd Oct</u>	Day 6 Ballina Rest Day Or go explore Byron Bay & return 74k
<u>Friday 23rd Oct</u>	Day 7 Ballina to Stanthorpe 242k
<u>Saturday 24th Oct</u>	Day 8 Stanthorpe to Coffs Harbour 350k
<u>Sunday 25th Oct</u>	Day 9 Coffs Harbour to Tamworth 299k
<u>Monday 26th Oct</u>	Day 10 Tamworth to Mudgee 276k
<u>Tuesday 27th Oct</u>	Day 11 Mudgee to Canberra 423k
<u>Wednesday 28th Oct</u>	Day 12 Canberra Rest Day
<u>Thursday 29th Oct</u>	Day 13 Canberra to Sydney to return bikes 400k
Alternative; attend the Moto Grand Prix at Philip Island;	
<u>Wednesday 28th Oct</u>	Day 12 Canberra to Orbost 364k
<u>Thursday 29th Oct</u>	Day 13 Orbost to Philip Island 366k
<u>Friday 30th Oct</u>	Day 14 at the Races 'Grand Prix'
<u>Saturday 31st Oct</u>	Day 15 Philip Island to Garners Melbourne to return the bikes. 138k

The Moto Grand Prix is the last Friday in the month of October – details are yet to be confirmed by the organisers of this event. As an example, this year's 'General Admission Cost' is AU\$60 for the [Friday](#);

Upon arrival in Sydney; our 'Welcome pack', will include;

* Note; every effort will be made by an IFMR member to meet you at Sydney Airport as you come through the gate!

* Sydney CBD maps 

* Schedule of Sydney Rotary club meetings in the week leading up to the ride,

* Sydney CBD shopping guide

* a map of the entire route (full 15 days)

* hyperlink to a Microsite with details of daily route, daily map and daily stops, highlights, interesting historical or area specific information

* T-Shirts – detailing the Ride, will be made available to all participants and the cost will be included in the Registration fee!

Motorcycle Hire and Accommodation; In November 2019, details of motorbike hire from [Garners](#) motorcycles will be available. Garners will manage hire of bikes and equipment and accommodation bookings of motels along the Ride. A one stop

package!  Please note, limited 'Home Hosting' by Rotarians along the route can be arranged if you so wish.

Additional Holiday Packages; As an incentive to Overseas Visitors, holiday packages will be suggested as add-ons to your holiday, such as; Flights and Hotels, for visits to;

- For example AU\$569, flights and 3 day hotel costs, to the [Barrier Reef](#). For example a days ride by boat to the Reef AU\$169
- * Ayers Rock (Virgin) AU\$655, flights and 2 nights hotel twin share

A 'Whats App' Group  has been established to assist with preparations and we encourage you to join now to enable you to learn more as we proceed to November 2020. The Group Name is;

AIR2020 Preparations!

This will detail things such as;

- * weather
- * travelling in Australia
- * sightseeing
- * events in Sydney.

During the ride, fast facts will be issued on 'What's App' or the printed version each night with info about the next day;

- * schedule
- * route
- * map
- * highlights
- * interesting historical or area specific information.

Morning Briefing; during the Ride a short briefing will be held before the commencement of each days' ride.

Don't hesitate, enter these dates in your diary now!

17th to 29th (or 31st Moto Grand Prix) October 2020.

Early Bird Registrations are available NOW!!

Initial fee will be around AU\$280, but 'Earlybird Registration' will be around AU\$250, for each participant, this is being kept to a minimum and will cover such items as;

- Welcome pack
- a Support Vehicle, to carry luggage, and tow a bike trailer for breakdowns
- a T-Shirt
- etc

Your additional costs will be such things as; Hire of the Motorcycle, Accommodation throughout, fuel, food, drink, transport to and from Garners Motorcycles, entry to museums, exhibits etc during the Ride etc.

Register with our Secretary, 'Smithy' NOW!!

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don't miss the Earlybird Registration!



SNOWY MOUNTAINS (P8)
 The Snowy Mtns, a raised plateau shaped by faulting and glaciation, lure winter skiers to the powdery white slopes. Here too, icy streams have been tapped by man; commenced August 1949, the \$800 million Snowy Mountains System diverts eastward flowing rivers into the Murray-Murrumbidgee System for irrigation and power generation.

MT KOSCIUSZKO (P8)
 Mt Kosciuszko, New South Wales and Australia's highest peak rises 2228m.

MOUNT BOGONG (P8)
 Highest point in Victoria

MELBOURNE (N8)
 Melbourne, capital of the 'Garden State' has traditionally rivaled Sydney as a commercial and intellectual centre. With the discovery of gold at Bendigo, Ballarat and Castlemaine in the 1850's, fortune-seekers from all over the world funnelled through Melbourne to the diggings. Today, Melbourne's suburbs reach to the Dandenong Ranges and spill down Port Phillip's eastern shore.

OIL/GAS
 Rare Strait Gas Fields
 Natural gas discovered May 1965

Most southerly point of mainland Australia

Bass

Strait

Just to wet your appetites, have a look at a bit of video of the last AIR17 International Ride, last November 2017, and see what you can experience on an 'Australian International Ride!!

This video has been kindly supplied by Konstantin Blome, from the IFMR Austria-Germany-Switzerland Chapter. Please see his message below

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International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians

Chapter Austria-Germany-Switzerland

Konstantin Blome, RC Bergisch Gladbach

"The video is a sequence of the best and really impressive travelling shots from the saddle of our 1200 GS showing both the wide variety of landscapes and the driving group members during our AIR17 ride.

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